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### Tobacco In Union?

Mr. Sam Bivens, farm demonstrator of Vance county, has been spending this week with his father in Monroe township. He has been accompanied by his wife and two farmers of Vance, Messrs. L. W. Hough and J. L. Edwards. Mr. Bivens has been driving the latter two around the county some showing them our lands. They are both cotton and tobacco farmers. Mr. Edwards had fifty acres in cotton last year and eight acres in tobacco. His tobacco brought more than his cotton. That is about the relative results with ruling prices of the two crops. The crops fit well in together, but few people in Vance county bother with cotton at all. Tobacco is enough for them. The visitors agree that much of the land of this county is highly adapted to tobacco growing. This especially is true of the white land with clay subsoil. Land like that in the Indian Trail section would bring a good price for tobacco land in a tobacco growing section. They believe that tobacco growing in this county would add a very valuable cash crop without detracting from any other and one that could be started without any additional capital whatever where farms are already being run. They saw no land here which they say would make nice "wrappers," that is, the grade of tobacco used for the outside of cigars. The price of this tobacco this year has been from forty to eighty cents a pound. A log barn and the knowing how, would be the only additional requirements for tobacco here.

The tobacco plants are set out in May, hard once, cultivated about three times, and gathered in July. After the other crops are laid by the farm labor goes to picking the tobacco and getting it ready for market and this work goes on in-doors through the summer, fall and as the time is found to put to it. Tobacco is not grown on rich land. This is not the first time that people have said that this county could grow tobacco. About every man who comes down here from a tobacco country says the same thing. Mr. R. A. Totten who came to this county some years ago planted a crop on his farm at the Tindle place. He had wide experience as a tobacco grower in Caswell county. He maintained, after trying it, that as fine tobacco could be grown here as in Caswell, or anywhere else. He did not pursue the crop because at that time there was no market facilities and the tobacco market was at its lowest ebb. The price was so low that he could not afford to ship it to distant warehouses. For many years now the price has been high, and the market facilities could be secured.

### A VISIT TO THE STATE'S TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM.

Mr. Wager Tells of the Fine Work Being Done—The Excellent Spirit of the Institution, and Recommends Free Treatment.

Correspondence of The Journal.

I have just returned from a day's trip to the State Sanatorium at Montrose, Hoke county, and thought perhaps a word or two about the State's Tubercular Hospital would be of interest to your readers, in view of the fact that it was built and is partly maintained by the general tax fund.

The present management under the general direction of the State Board of Health has made wonderful improvement there in the past two years and it is now an institution in which the people of North Carolina should and do take much pride.

The building just completed from the appropriation of the last Legislature is just grand; up-to-date in every particular, and is used as an infirmary where the bed patients are kept. The male up patients are kept down at the long building formerly used as the office and infirmary known as Brooks Hall, and the female up patients are kept in the Hill building. They have 150 odd patients at present.

Then there is the Doctors' Home, a fine building owned, furnished and equipped by the State along with the rest.

Then there is the office building, where the main business is carried on also, Post Office and examining room, consulting room and printing department where thousands of circulars having to do with tuberculosis are printed and mailed out monthly.

They are now carrying on an educational propaganda both as to the people generally and the general practicing doctor. They have an addressing machine containing the name of every doctor in the State. They are working on the right lines now to eradicate tuberculosis; educate the general practicing doctors so they can diagnose the disease in its incipency, as it is not hard to cure in that stage. More than 95 per cent are curable but there are

very few general practicing doctors able to detect it at this stage.

The Library too is in this building. They have over a thousand volumes in handsome book cases furnished by the good ladies of Concord.

Then there is the dining room and kitchen and assembly room, all in one building connected by a large passageway to the infirmary.

Other buildings are the chief engineer's cottage, nurses' cottage, the quarters for the negro help and the farmers' home and other farm buildings including an up-to-date and well equipped dairy.

They have their own laundry, cold storage and ice plant, water, work and light plants. The buildings are all conveniently located. The railroad and the sand clay public road, paralleling, run right through the grounds with a depot right at hand.

The State owns 1400 acres in one body and it lies on a high sand ridge running north and south with a large valley on either side with high timbered ridges beyond the valleys.

The view is just fine. Hamlet, 20 miles to the south can be seen plainly at night and with a glass one can see, on a clear day, 70 miles or to the same ridge that McFee, S. C. is located on. Then to the north you can see about forty miles.

They have some of the finest sunrises and sun sets there to be sure.

It is a fine place for the consumptive. The doctors and nurses are good and kind to the patients, feed them well and give them expert treatment, and it is a pity that they are crowded and haven't room for all those making application and it's a greater pity that nearly all the patients going there have to leave before getting the full benefit of the treatment on account of not being financially able to stay. It costs each patient \$30.00 per month, that includes everything and compared with other tuberculosis sanatoria is certainly cheap. Still I think the State should provide free treatment to those not able to pay, which would be about 90 per cent of all afflicted with tuberculosis in the State.

A hint to the budding and full fledged statesmen.

The next Governor won his laurels, not at the Democratic convention in Charlotte as generally supposed, but successfully pleading for a \$500,000 appropriation for the State's unfortunate insane.

The State provides free institutions and maintains them for her insane, deaf and dumb, blind and feeble-minded and all physical defectives, then why not for the most helpless of all and perhaps the greatest menace to the general public, the tubercular patients?

Excuse me, I did not mean to digress so much but I hope it will not be amiss.

They have a fine corps of doctors and nurses and in fact the attendants and negro waiters and all are just fine to the patients, willing to do any little favors and not allowed to accept any tips, and then best of all is that comradeship among the patients trying to cheer the other fellow, minimizing his trouble, pointing to the future time when he will again be well and useful, in fact it is the most genuinely fraternal spirit extant. All in all we have a fine place for the consumptive unfortunately though not as available to the indigent and near indigent as it might be.

Those in charge are Doctors L. B. McBrayer, Supt.; P. P. McCain, asst. supt.; Caroline Thompson, house physician; "Buck" McBrayer, interne and Miss Mayme O'Kelly, R. N. head nurse.—J. E. Wager.

Monroe, July 25.

### Once Was Blind, Now Can See.

Statesville Landmark.

The happiest man in town—and he has cause to be happy—is Clem Garner, colored, who was blind for seven years and can now see.

Clem is going about town visiting his old friends. It gives him so much pleasure, he says, to look on the folk he knew before he lost his sight. "I spent about all I had trying to get back my sight," said Clem, "but I was not helped until Dr. Carpenter treated me. For more than two weeks now he has been able to see, and Clem says his eyes are growing stronger all the time."

And Clem is happy. His face shines with joy as he looks out on the world and on the people and things from which he has been shut out for seven years while he walked in darkness.

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### WRITE TO BORROWER

He Is Anxious to Know if He Is Wrong—Why the Flood Came. Correspondence of The Journal.

It has been quite a while since I have troubled you with any of my way of thinking. I am still taking The Journal and I see there is a great many live wires running to the office. If you are not too busy please allow me to speak a word or two to Novus Homo.

Mr. Homo: Dear Sir:—I cannot answer your question of some weeks ago about the fourteen billion dollars that are owned by the banks of this country. Neither do I see that any one else does answer it.

Novus, if you have comptroller Williams' statement at hand, I insist that you write Mr. William a personal letter and ask him to explain, and if he fails to explain then tell him that we have a circulating medium of \$140.00 per capita instead of \$37.00. Let's all get right on this question. Has the green goods dealers flooded the country with their goods and it crept into the banks?

This \$37 per capita or three billion and seven hundred million is redeemable, but if this heavy balance of over ten billion has to be redeemed, this government is busted with only one hundred million people to draw from at \$37 per capita. Now I see that Mr. Wilson is right in not going to war with Germany with a busted government. You may smile—but if we have to redeem this fourteen billion dollars this government is busted sky hooten. How about it?

Now just a word to the public. I don't wish to oppose everything in sight and be called a crank but when it comes my time to speak I will tell you the truth as I see it, though I may see things wrong.

The Lord is dealing with us and he has told us when he will make it hard for us and when he will make it pleasant for us. He said to us in his word: Thou shalt remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Now dear reader, we know the railroads of this country have run seven days a week ever since the Civil war, in face of Divine truth they say no. The railroad men must have no Sabbath. They have built substantial steel bridges and prepared to stand the floods and wrath of God, but there is nothing that will stand like obedience. God in his love and mercy has borne with us and we have concluded that God is all mercy and no justice, and so we all met at the depot on the Lord's day and buy a ticket and patronize the corporation that is too much hog to stop on Sunday. So you see we are all guilty of a misdemeanor before the Lord. Oh! you say, the passenger train is an accommodation on Sunday. Well you call for an accommodation ticket and you will be told to count the crosses, that the company is hauling strictly for the money. This destruction is God's wrath poured out on the people for disobedience.

What has become of our Christian civilization anyhow? Do you not see civilization ebbing away from us? All corporations of large means can work on Sunday contrary to the laws of the state and the grand jury think nothing of bringing an indictment against them for lawlessness. It is the case in great many towns and cities now that if you have fooled away your time all the week and failed to do your shopping that you can wink at the business man of your acquaintance and get in at the back door and buy your supplies and no account taken of it by the officers of the law.

Many illegitimate children may be born in the town and country now a days and no account is taken of it by the law.

These and other things that are going on are destroying our Christian civilization. Men have a form of Godliness but deny the power thereof. Our state laws are Heaven ordained all so wicked that there is none left to control the wicked and we are all so wicked that there is none left to get a grand jury from to bring about an indictment for these crimes. Too many good people subject to the indictment I suppose. Call them good if you want to. I started out a few months ago to criticize a few popular evils and nobody would take it up but The Student and The Student went out of business without answering any of my questions, so I am yet in my ignorance. If any reader of The Journal will answer these views of mine and don't want to answer through the Journal please write me a letter to Monroe R. F. D. 8 and I will carry it to Mr. Cox, will put it in the box.

I am down on the use of tobacco, Lending money for interest.

Selling corn and other goods to the poor for an exorbitant price.

Buying up all the land by people who don't need it.

Working on the Sabbath for money, illegitimate child raising.

Preaching for the money.

Joining the church under false pretense, and many other things.

When you see that I am wrong, please drop me a letter. If I am wrong I want to know it.—Borrower.

The American party has nominated Wm. Sulzer, impeached while Governor of New York, for President, and John M. Parker, nominee of the Progressive party for Vice President. Parker declined the nomination.

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